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## CONFERENCE TODAY MAY END STRIKE

Graphophone Company Officials and Head of Employees Meet in Plant to Go Over Revised Schedule of Prices.

Meeting of Workers Will Take Place Tomorrow Morning When Report of Conference Will Be Made—None Wants Mediators.

The strike at the American Graphophone Co. will be settled in all probability this afternoon and the employees will be back at work Monday.

Walter Lord, chairman of the employees' organization, was sent for this morning and at 2 o'clock this afternoon he was in conference with the officials of the plant. It is understood the revised list of prices has been finished and is being considered this afternoon.

The result of the meeting will be discussed to the Graphophone Co. employees at 3:30 tomorrow morning when a meeting will be held in Eagles' hall.

The two mediators who were ordered to this city to help settle the strike through the department of labor will probably get a cool reception. President P. T. Dodge of the company is quoted as saying that he doesn't want them and didn't send for them. Mr. Lord, representing the employees, said this morning that they didn't send for the mediators and don't want them.

"We can settle this thing ourselves," Mr. Lord said. "We don't want any interference."

Clinton Reeves of Trenton, N. J., and James A. Smyth of Reno, Pa., are the government mediators. Reeves is the same man who was sent to the Laek Torpedo Boat Co., but at that plant it was said he never appeared.

Head of National Organization Will Address Meeting of Salt's Workers.

A mass meeting of the Salt's Textile Co. employees will be held at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon in Sedgwick hall. President Henry Cunliffe of the textile workers' local, said this morning: "The company has been sending men among the strikers offering some of them an increase in wages if they will return to work. It is to offset this that we will have the meeting."

"The factory is still closed. The situation as far as the workers is concerned looks promising, for all that is necessary is to hold out a little longer and the company will come around."

"John Golden, president of the United Textile Workers of North America, will come to this city Saturday to take charge of the situation. He will address the meeting Sunday."

This same day the Salt's strikers, which was to have been held on the evening of October 1, will be held instead on the night of Thursday, September 24.

SIEMON STRIKERS EJECT COUPLE AS SUSPECTED SPIES

Vote to Continue on Strike at Meeting in Eagles' Hall Today.

At a meeting of the employees of the Siemon Hard Rubber Co. this morning in Eagles' hall, it was voted unanimously to remain out on strike if it takes a year.

Every hand was raised when the chairman of the meeting held a vote on the matter today. None of the men will go back, they say.

One of the strikers and his wife were elected from the meeting because they were accused of carrying tales to the officials of the plant.

WALLINGFORD WORKERS TO BEGIN CAMPAIGN FOR BETTER CONDITIONS

The American Federation of Labor representatives in this state have called a meeting of all workmen and women in the town of Wallingford. The meeting will be held tomorrow in the opera house.

Mrs. Mary Scully said this morning that a campaign for better working conditions will be begun in Wallingford.

In Meriden last night, Mrs. Scully says, she had 1,600 girls at a mass meeting. In New Haven many corset workers and others are out on strike.

NEW BRITAIN MEN ARE COMING HERE FOR WORK.

(Special to the Farmer.) New Britain, Sept. 24.—Bridgeport is the mecca for men who go out on strike here and who do not get their demands complied with immediately. Reports to labor leaders show that New Britain men are finding it comparatively easy to get work in Bridgeport.

## POLICEMEN FIRE SHOTS, STARTING RIOT; 3 INJURED

Bricks and Sticks Fly at Plant of Corbin Company in New Britain.

SINGING STRIKERS CAUSE OF GUN PLAY

Special Officers Fire Shots in Air and Battle Begins in Streets.

New Britain, Sept. 24.—Three policemen were injured in a clash this afternoon with rioters at the Corbin Screw division plant of the American Hardware corporation, following a walkout there. The officers were struck with bricks and stones hurled by the rioters.

A crowd of over 500 gathered at the factory gates at 12:30 and attempted to persuade those who remained at work to join the strike. There was no trouble until after 1 o'clock when a group of young men, strikers from the shipping room, who were located across the street from the main entrance, began to sing. Four supernumerary policemen doing strike duty, crossed and tried to send them away. They were immediately surrounded by the larger crowd.

A stone was thrown and Officer Charles McGrath was struck on the jaw and rendered unconscious. Officer Gustave Carlson drew his revolver and fired several shots into the air. This was the signal for a riot on the part of the strikers.

Stones were brought from an excavation for a trolley line and in a moment the air was filled with rocks. Officer Thomas Heslin fired several shots into the ground when he was showered with missiles. He received a bad scalp wound and it is believed one of his arms is seriously injured. George Ellinger, another policeman, was rendered unconscious when he was struck on the jaw with a stone.

The mob surged around the policemen, shouting and hooting. A riot call was sent to police headquarters and Captain Thomas W. Grace immediately summoned all the policemen he could reach by telephone. As officers began to appear the mob separated, but did not leave the scene. Policemen drew their revolvers and walked up and down in front of the factory.

Mayor George A. Quigley was informed of the riot and went to police headquarters for a conference with the authorities.

## Villa General Arrested For Crossing Line

San Antonio, Sept. 24.—General Pablo Madro, of Villa's staff, has been arrested by American soldiers near Marfa, Tex., according to a report to Major General Frederick Funston from today's dispatch.

Madro was one of the Villa's companions, all supposed to be Villa officers who also were arrested. They were taken into custody when they crossed to the American side of the Rio Grande.

BREAKS ALL RECORDS FOR BRINGING SUIT

All records for quick action in lawsuits were broken today when legal proceedings were started against Michael DeRose, owner of the jitney bus in which six passengers were injured in a collision with a trolley car last night at Stratford and Seaview avenues. Tony Gignone, one of the jitney passengers, brought the action against DeRose. Suit could be brought any time within the next year but Tony didn't even allow 24 hours to elapse.

He alleges that he was painfully injured as the result of the negligence of DeRose. Tony claims his legs were lacerated and his head bruised. He wants \$500 damages. The suit, which is brought by Attorney Samuel Reich, is returnable to the city court, civil side.

MIDDLE STREET REALTY CO. INCORPORATED BY THREE BRIDGEPORTERS

The Middle Street Realty company, of Bridgeport, is among the latest enterprises to file papers of incorporation at the secretary of state's office at Hartford. Papers were filed yesterday showing that the company intended to operate as a buying and selling company for real estate with a capital stock of \$50,000 of which \$2,000 has been paid in. The incorporators are Sanford Stoddard, Wilnot F. Wheeler and Philo C. Calhoun of Bridgeport.

Though the name indicates that the company may propose to deal in realty on Middle street, those in close touch with the real estate situation point to the fact that there is little property available for sale on that street though there is a possibility of development being made in the near future of the Reed Carpet company's property which is now under lease to industrial concerns of this city.

The incorporators refuse to divulge the projects now under consideration other than to deny that they will be engaged in house developing.

WEATHER FORECAST  
Partly cloudy tonight; Saturday fair and cooler. Moderate northwest winds.

## HOAGLAND OUT AT REMINGTON U. M. C. PLANT

Army Man Succeeds Works Manager of Big Ammunition Factories.

WILL NOT TELL NOW WHERE HE IS GOING

Came Here From Ilion Remington Plant—Invented Dum-Dum Bullet.

Frank O. Hoagland, works manager of the Remington-U. M. C. Co., has severed his connection with the company. He will be succeeded by Maj. W. A. Phillips, formerly of the United States army. Mr. Hoagland's retirement as works manager is already in effect although he was still at the factory today, as he expressed it, "attracting out some odds and ends" in the work before he leaves here. Now the part of the Remington plant north of Boston avenue is known as the Remington Arms & Ammunition Co. The part south of Boston avenue is known as the Remington-U. M. C. Co. Mr. Hoagland has been works manager of the Remington-U. M. C. Co., which includes many new factory buildings, either complete or now under construction.

Mr. Hoagland would say nothing today concerning his plans except that he would leave Bridgeport early next week. Whether Mr. Hoagland's retirement was voluntary or the result of a works manager's resignation brought about by the directors of the company neither Mr. Hoagland nor any of the officials of the company would say today.

Mr. Hoagland has been works manager of the Bridgeport factory for four and a half years. Before that he was for ten years with the Remington Arms Co. at Ilion, N. Y. He has been connected in an official capacity with other large manufacturing establishments in the east. For a number of years he was at the Pratt & Whitney factory, Hartford. Mr. Hoagland is considered the premier expert on the subject of the United States and he is one of the highest salaried men in his class. He is unassuming, rather quiet and retiring in disposition but has made a host of friends here, especially among the employees of the company who will learn with regret of his retirement.

Maj. Phillips, who succeeds him, is one of a number of army officers who resigned some time ago to accept positions with war munitions manufacturers. Maj. Phillips has been at the Bridgeport factory for more than a month. It was known that he was to have a responsible position with the company but the news that he is to succeed Mr. Hoagland comes rather as a surprise.

Hoagland is well known as an inventor of note in the ammunition world, one of his most recent achievements being a famous dum-dum bullet which occasioned so much talk at the outset of the European war.

PICKETS POSTED BY FREIGHT HANDLERS RETURN TO WORK

Faint-heartedness of Watchmen Leads to Unexpected Developments in New Haven Yards.

The faint-heartedness of strikers at the New Haven freight houses has done more toward an immediate settlement in favor of freight handlers throughout Connecticut than any opposition of the New Haven road, according to organizers here.

Section hands, track walkers, ash handlers and many other workmen employed by the New Haven road in the neighborhood of New Haven were out on strike Wednesday and it was freely prophesied if they fought the battle, the company will make a general concession for the whole state system.

Freight piled up and it was said that a switch engine was kept shunting cars all day long to prevent hopeless confusion. Hundreds of tons of furniture, shipped to the Yale students for furnishing apartments, were piling up any many complaints were made.

The strike looked successful. The 12 pickets on duty sent for help and 40 more were put on the line. Instead of picketing, however, they listened to overtures from the company officials and within half an hour after being sent there, they were at work.

The favorable settlement that was expected this week was put off indefinitely in this manner both in New Haven and Bridgeport. Some of those who precipitated the strike in Bridgeport have returned to work. But for their action it is likely conditions would have become so serious that concessions would be willingly offered.

It is known that handling freight with the strike breakers has been a tremendous problem here.

PRESIDENT GOES SHOPPING

Washington, Sept. 24.—President Wilson walked for more than an hour today through the business section of Washington. He went to a sporting goods store and bought some golf balls and then continued strolling about the streets. He was recognized by a few people.

## GREEK ARMY MOBILIZED BY ROYAL DECREE WHEN BULGARS MENACE SERBIA

### BURGLARS GET \$400 IN CLANCY BROTHERS' CAFE

Find Large Sum in Tin Box, Ready for Deposit in Bank Today.

Between the hours of two and four o'clock this morning burglars gained entrance to the saloon kept by Clancy brothers, at Franklin and Railroad avenues, by forcing a window in the alleyway, at the rear of the saloon with a jimmy. They got nearly \$400 in cash.

The burglars first rifled the cash register which contained between \$10 and \$15 in change and then entered the private office at the rear of the saloon. Entrance was gained to the office by the use of a jimmy with which they sprung the lock.

After rifling the desk they found a tin box containing approximately \$350 in cash which was to be deposited into local bank this morning. It is believed that the plunderers remained in the saloon for upwards of an hour without being detected. Their purpose apparently was to take the money as no stock was taken.

### SIXTH DISTRICT DEMOCRATS VOTE TO RETURN CASEY

Alderman's Work in Common Council Lauded at Preliminary Conference.

Democrats of the Sixth district, at a largely attended meeting last night, endorsed Alderman John H. Casey for renomination at the coming primaries. In addition to the district committee, there were a large number of other Democrats present all enthusiastic over prospects for a sweeping victory in the November elections.

The work of Alderman Casey and his colleagues in the common council, Alderman William J. Moran, was reviewed by the speakers and their stand on many matters of import to the city was warmly commended.

The committee discussed ways and means for conducting the primary in that district and voted financial support to the ticket that will be nominated at that time.

### TROOPER KILLED IN MEXICAN RAID NEAR BORDER LINE

Brownsville, Sept. 24.—Mexicans today attacked a detachment of United States soldiers at Progreso, 40 miles west of here and killed Private Stubbie of Troop B, 12th U. S. Cavalry, according to advices received here.

### BODY OF WOMAN, LOST ON ARABIC, FLOATS ASHORE

Queenstown, Sept. 24.—A body that came ashore at Clonakilly, on the south coast of Ireland, has been identified as that of Mrs. Josephine Brugiere, of New York, one of the victims of the Arabic disaster.

### Extend Time Limit For Filing Property Lists With Assessors

Only four days remain in which taxpayers may file the lists of their property and in order to accommodate those who cannot come in the daytime the assessors have extended the office hours as follows:

Saturday, Sept. 25, from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.  
Monday, Sept. 27, from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m.  
Tuesday, Sept. 28, from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m.  
Wednesday, Sept. 29, from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m.

Failure to file a list before the closing hour on Sept. 30 will mean that the assessors will file a list for the delinquent and add ten per cent. penalty. As yet less than three quarters of the number of resident property owners have filed their lists.

Norfolk, Va., Sept. 24.—The old receiving ship Franklin, which has been in the service of the United States for a century, has been condemned by a naval board of survey and probably will be sold for junk.

### BOSTON FAMILY, WITH NO RENT, IN ALMSHOUSE

Well Supplied With Cash They Can't Find Any Place to Live Here.

So crowded are the conditions in Bridgeport that even the charities department is unable to care for the incoming denizens, who daily apply for board and lodgings for which they are willing to pay well.

The last and most interesting case to be of record at police headquarters is that of Mr. and Mrs. William Davis, formerly of 1162 Summer street, Boston, who with three children and a well filled pocketbook, were compelled last night to ask shelter from the police.

Mr. Davis, who came from Boston early this week, is employed by the Bulard Machine Tool Co. at a salary averaging over \$25 per week. While Davis was at work Mrs. Davis had secured the city for a rent. Being unable to find this she sought lodgings at 833 Broad street, and was given one room. She wanted two rooms but owing to the number of turn-aways and discouragement when one was offered she failed to state that three children, the oldest six years old, were in the family.

The landlord, having discovered the fact that all were sleeping in one room, summarily ejected them at 10 o'clock last night. Mrs. Davis vainly sought other quarters and finally was compelled to appeal to the police, who sent to the factory for her husband.

Clark Thomas F. Cox of the Charities Board, was roused from his bed and tried vainly to get some place for the accommodation of the parents and children. All lists of the department have been exhausted. It was finally necessary to send them to Lakeview Home for the night.

### GANGSTERS' FIGHT BREAKS UP BALL; POLICEMAN DEAD

New York, Sept. 24.—George Dapping, one of two patrolmen shot early today while attending a ball given by the Thomas F. McManus Association, a Democratic organization of the Eleventh Assembly district, died several hours later in a hospital.

James Bishop, the other patrolman shot, is reported dying. Daniel Tyson, a clerk, who also was wounded, is said to be in a serious condition.

The shooting, which is said to have been the outgrowth of a gangsters' fight, occurred in a room above the dance hall, where several hundred men and women were on the floor.

### VETERAN WHO SHOT DAUGHTER IS FOUND ASLEEP IN HAYLOFT

Norfolk, Conn., Sept. 24.—Frederick Chatfield, the 72 year old Civil war veteran, who shot and critically wounded his daughter Catherine, 22 years old, last Wednesday night in the Chatfield home at East Canaan, was found today, asleep in a hayloft on his son's farm in the Wood Creek district of this town. The son had at his mother's since the shooting, to protect her, he said, should his father return.

The aged man was arrested and arraigned before a justice of the peace on a charge of assault with intent to kill. He was not put to plea, however, but was held in \$10,000 bail to await the outcome of his daughter's injuries. He was taken to the Litchfield County jail during the afternoon.

Miss Chatfield's condition was said today at the Litchfield County hospital at Winsted, to be unchanged. She was shot in the back, the bullet passing through the breast.

When Chatfield was arrested his face showed bruises and one eye was closed, the result, it was said, of having been struck by the heel of his daughter's shoe, during the struggle between father, mother and daughter which followed the shooting.

### HATCHET FLIES FROM HAND; TEARS SCALP OF U. L. C. LINEMAN

While cutting an electric light pole at Fairfield avenue and Norman streets at 10 o'clock this morning, L. F. Talbot of 503 Fairfield avenue, an employee of the United States Pacific Corp., received a three inch laceration of the forehead when the hatchet flew off the handle striking him on the forehead. He was treated at the emergency hospital.

### King Constantine Issues Call to Colors, Following Bulgarian Move Looking to Entering War on the Part of Teutonic Allies—Parliament Will Be Convened Tomorrow.

Demonstrations Greet King's Announcement That Country Will Uphold Its Agreement to Protect Serbia From Attack—Bulgar Mobilization is Being Pushed Rapidly.

Athens, Sept. 24.—A decree for general mobilization of 20 classes of Greek soldiers was signed last night by King Constantine and promulgated. The decision of the King has aroused the greatest enthusiasm.

The despatch says the decree was published in the Official Journal. It states that mobilization has been decided upon as a measure of prudence, on account of similar action by Bulgaria. The classes of 1892 to 1914 are called to the colors.

Parliament will be convened tomorrow to enact legislation necessitated by the mobilization decree.

The semi-official newspaper Patris, of Athens, says that the military measures undertaken by Greece show a decision, has been reached to meet Bulgaria's most energetically and without delay. It adds that the intention of Greece is to defend her own rights and to fulfill her duty to support Serbia.

### BULGARIAN WARSHIPS SAIL TO CHECK TEUTONS

Diplomatic circles have been informed here that Bulgarian war vessels that had been stationed at Vienna on the Black Sea have sought shelter in a neighboring bay. A large number of men is working at feverish speed to fortify Bulgarian Black Sea ports. The valuables of the branches of the National Bank at Burgas and Varna have been removed to Sofia.

The belief has been expressed in Bulgaria that if that country arrays herself on the side of the Teutonic allies, Russia would attempt an invasion through the part of Varna, 30 hours' sail from Odessa, although it is strongly fortified.

### PARIS CONFIRMS NEWS

Paris, Sept. 24.—An official decree for the mobilization of the Greek army was issued in Athens today, says the Athens correspondent of the Havas News Agency. Parliament probably will be summoned tomorrow.

### MINISTER TO ENGLAND NOTIFIED

London, Sept. 24.—The Greek minister here today received notification by cable of the issue in Athens of the Greek mobilization decree, it being stated that action by Bulgaria made it incumbent upon Greece to follow suit.

### BULGARIANS ARE ACTIVE

Paris, Sept. 24.—A message from Sofia to the Havas News Agency makes definite announcement that mobilization of Bulgarian military forces reported to have been postponed, has been decided upon. It

### ENGLAND IS READY TO HEAR U. S. ON CARGOES HELD UP

Washington, Sept. 24.—The British government is prepared to receive applications unofficially through the foreign prize advisers of the state department for release of \$167,000,000 of German and Austrian owned goods of German and Austrian origin held at Rotterdam by the British orders in council.

At the request of the trade advisers the British embassy here will submit a written statement of the conditions under which goods will be released.

### Many Killed When Trains Meet Head-on

Plattsburgh, N. Y., Sept. 21.—Five members of the train crews are reported dead and it is believed that several of the passengers on Missouri-Pacific passenger train No. 104, southbound to Kansas City from Omaha, were killed as a result of a head-on collision near here today between the passenger train and a fast freight train.

### Veterans Leave For Encampment Monday

The sale of special rate tickets to the National Grand Army encampment at Washington, D. C., will open tomorrow at the local railroad station. The party of the veterans and their friends will leave Bridgeport on a special train at 10:10 o'clock Monday morning. They will meet at Grand Army hall in Main street and march to the station escorted by a delegation of Franklin Bartlett camp, No. 11, Sons of Veterans.

### BRITISH STEAMER SUNK

London, Sept. 24.—The British steamship Chancellor has been sunk. Part of her crew was saved. Search is being made for the others.

### GERMANS STORM DVINSK

Berlin, Sept. 24.—Field Marshal von Hindenburg has made further progress in his efforts to capture the Russian fortified city of Dvinsk, the taking by storm of additional Russian positions defending the city northeast of Smolna is reported today.